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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Kazuomi KOBAYASHI, et al.

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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 22, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

**Please enter the following amended claims:**

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1. (Twice Amended) A run-flat pneumatic tire comprising; a radial carcass extending between a pair of bead cores embedded in the respective bead portions to reinforce a pair of sidewall portions, a tread portion comprised of one or more rubberized cord plies, a belt arranged on an outer peripheral surface of the carcass to reinforce the tread portion, a bead filler rubber taperingly extending from a position just above the bead core toward an end of the tread portion, a rubber reinforcing layer arranged at an inner surface side of an innermost carcass ply